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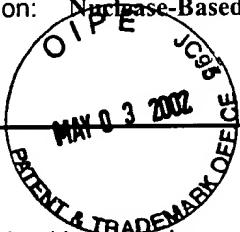
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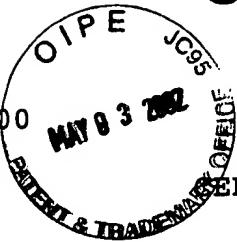
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This is a reply to the Office Action dated March 4, 2002 setting a three (3) month period for response. Please enter the following remarks into the record.

In the Claims:

Please cancel claim 12.